

**LICENSE COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 27, 2009 @ 6:00 PM**

Item #1

Application for a license to drive a cab for Yellow Cab Co.

Applicant Abraham Abebe Wasse
 17 Highland Avenue
 West Springfield, MA 01089

Item #2

ORDERED THAT Izzy's Garage & Shop, Inc., 562 Chicopee Street, Class II and Auto Repair licenses, be called in before the License Committee for violation of restrictions. At this meeting the Committee may suspend, modify, or revoke the licenses.

Item #3 Tabled

Application for a NEW Auto Repair license located at 238 Meadow Street for Jack's Auto Repair.

Applicant Tammy Harrington
 159 ½ Main Street
 Indian Orchard, MA 01151

Item #4 Tabled

Application for a Transfer of a Class II license located at 363 Chicopee Street for Auto Deals.

Applicant Mario Tascon, Jr.
 99 South Street, 2nd floor
 Chicopee, MA 01013

Item #5 Tabled

Application for a NEW Junk Dealers License for Second Time Around Collectibles and Stuff located at 957 Chicopee Street. Selling furniture, antiques, etc.

Applicant Matthew Yacavone
 39 Columbia Street
 South Hadley, MA

Item #6

Application for an addition of taxi cabs to the current license. Adding three cabs

2005 Ford Crown Vic-TA 13368
2005 Ford Crown Vic –TA 18494
2004 Ford Crown Vic – TA 18572

ITEM #7

Minutes



CHICOPEE CITY COUNCIL

LICENSE COMMITTEE

ACCEPTED 9-28-09

Members

Ronald R. Belair, Chairman
Dino A. Brunetti, Vice-Chairman
Shane Brooks
Fred Krampits
Robert J. Zygarowski

MINUTES **July 27, 2009**

The following are the minutes of a public hearing held Monday, July 27, 2009 at 6:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, City Hall Annex, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.

Members Present Belair, Krampits, Zygarowski

Members Absent Brunetti, Brooks

Also Present Kate Brown (Planning Director), Daniel Garvey (Associate City Solicitor)

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

ITEM #1

Application for a license to drive a cab for Yellow Cab Co.

Applicant Abraham Abebe Wasse
17 Highland Avenue
West Springfield, MA 01089

Applicant present at the meeting.

Applicant has driven in the past for Yellow Cab. He stated that he has recently moved back to the area and would like to drive for Yellow Cab again.

Motion made to approve.

Committee vote 3 -0 favorable.

ITEM #2

Application for a NEW Auto Repair License located at 238 Meadow Street for Jack's Auto Repair.

Applicant Tammy Harrington
159 ½ Main Street
Indian Orchard, MA 01151

Motion made to remove from the table. Motion passed.

Applicant was present at the meeting.

The following was read from Deputy Fire Chief McInerney:

I have spoken with Kathleen Fournier from the Department of Environmental Protection Agency. Miss Fournier stated there is no reason a Repair Shop cannot be operated on this site due to the ground contamination. Miss Fournier stated the current owner has not submitted Release Abatement Measure reports. Miss Fournier believes the current owner may have filed for a waiver on the clean up due to the cost associated with the abatement. The current owner is leasing the property to Tammy Harrington, and shall remain responsible for the contamination. I would caution Miss Harrington to gather as much information on the whereabouts of the current contamination so she is not held responsible in the future. Please feel free to contact me if you require any further information.

The applicant provided a copy of the lease agreement to the committee. She also provided the property owner with a map indicating the whereabouts of the contamination.

Reports:

Fire Department

1. - *The business shall comply with 527 CMR 5.00, Operation and Maintenance of Buildings Used for Garages; 527 CMR 9.00, Tanks and Containers (Waste Oil Storage), 527 CMR 10.00, Prevention of fires in Buildings and 527 CMR 14.00, Storage of Flammable Liquids and Gases, of the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations.*
2. *Applicant will be required to obtain all necessary permits [527 CMR 1.04(8)].*
3. *The Storage, handling and mixing of flammable and combustible Liquids Code [780 CMR 419.2.3].*
4. *Applicant shall adhere to applicable sections of NFPA 30A.*
5. *No parking against the structure.*
6. *Fire extinguishers required will be determined at a later date. [527 CMR 5.09(8)]*
7. *Body work and or spray operations shall not be conducted.*
8. *A permit for the storage of waste oil is required. The storage must comply with the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations. [527 CMR 9.06]*

Health Department

- *Lot slightly overgrown*
- *Pile of cement on lawn area*

RESTRICTIONS

Good housekeeping

No outside storage

No. of vehicles 18 total 14 parking spaces, 2 customer, 2 inside

HRS M- F 8 AM – 6 PM

 Sat. 8 AM – 2 PM

 No Sunday

Abide by Fire Department regulations

All permits to be completed

Certificate of Inspection from Building

2 bays
Parking plan dated 7-27-09
Lease agreement enclosed

Motion made to approve.
Committee vote 3 – 0 favorable

ITEM #3

Application for a Transfer of a Class II License located at 363 Chicopee Street for Auto Deals.
Applicant Mario Tascon, Jr.
99 South Street, 2nd fl.
Chicopee, MA 01013

Motion made to remove from the table. Motion passed.

Applicant submitted the following letter:

"I, Mario Tascon respectfully request that this matter, being transfer of license at 363 Chicopee Street/ Mars Auto Sales, Inc., be put on hold for 30 days due to new negotiation of licenses.

Signed (Mario Tascon)
Dated 7-27-09"

ITEM #4

Application for an addition of taxi cabs to the current license. Adding three cabs 2005 Ford Crown Vic - , 2005 Ford Crown Vic , 2004 Ford Crown Vic.

Applicant Faramarz Bahrehmand, 58 Timber Drive, East Longmeadow, MA 01028

Kamyar Rahmani-Kia, 182 Overlook Drive, Springfield, MA 01118 was present representing applicant. He provided a letter from the applicant stating that he has been approved to represent Yellow Cab at the hearing.

The committee asked that the applicant provide the names of drivers using these new cabs.

Motion made to approve.

Committee vote 3 – 0 favorable.

ITEM #5

ORDERED THAT Izzy's Garage & Shop, Inc., 562 Chicopee Street, Class II and Auto Repair Licenses, be called in before the License Committee for violation of restrictions. At this meeting the Committee may suspend, modify, or revoke the licenses.

The license holder, Isaiah Salloom was not present at the meeting. Chairman Belair stated that Mr. Salloom called and stated that he is sick, he is watching his son unable to pay for sitter, and his father had a heart attack. He requested that the matter be postponed until next week.

The following information was read from the Fire Department:

This office inspected this property today. The parking plan is not being adhered to. Ten vehicles are packed into the front and sides of this lot. Vehicles are parked against the structure; the front of the building is inaccessible due to the vehicles. Some of the vehicles are wrecked/damaged vehicles. The grass on the tree belt is overgrown and strewn with trash. No personnel were on site at the time of my visit so my inspection was limited to an external visual inspection. (Captain Patrick Halpin)

The following information was read from a Police Report:

"On Wednesday, 07-22-09, at approximately 1254 hours, I was dispatched to 562 Chicopee St., Izzy's Garage and Shop, for a suspicious person complaint. Upon arrival, I checked the exterior business and it appears the suspicious person, had left prior to my arrival. While at the scene, I noticed that it appeared Izzy's business parking lot, had more vehicles parked on the property than allowed, by the business license. I counted 13 vehicles outside the business and when I looked inside the business through the garage door window I could see 5 more vehicles inside. When I noticed a white colored Ford Ranger pick up parked on Norman Street, along this business, I performed a records check on Ma. Reg. 61SL94, on the cruisers laptop, it showed this plate to belong on a different vehicle. The records check also revealed the plate to be revoked, because the insurance was canceled. Upon performing a "vehicle identification number" check on this Ford Ranger truck, the records check showed this vehicle to be unregistered. Since this vehicle was parked on a public way, the plate was confiscated and tagged as #A-8394, to be turned over to traffic bureau for disposal. The vehicle was towed by Chuck's towing. Because of this business may not be in compliance, with the number of vehicle's parked on the property, I would like this report forwarded to the city of Chicopee's licensing board, for further review. Also to investigate if there are any other violations, not in accordance with the businesses license."

The committee felt that the license holder should be present to answer violation concerns and offer a defense. The committee will send Mr. Salloom a stern notice to comply with restrictions.

Motion made to table. Motion passed.

ITEM #6

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Motion made to accept. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM.